

Board of Supervisors.

(Official Proceedings.)

Record of proceedings, orders and resolutions of the Board of Supervisors of La Salle County and State of Illinois at a regular term thereof, commenced and held at the court house in Ottawa, in said county on the second Monday (14th day) of July, A. D. 1890.

The board was called to order by the clerk. The following members were present:

Anderson, A. N., Adams, Breining, Gustave, Peru; Belrose, C. H., Dayton; Bowen, Henry, Serant, Burkart, Jos. La Salle; Conover, John J., Dimmick; Conover, Ira, Utica; Davison, L. W., Earl; Donlevy, Frank P., Wallace; Dougherty, P. J., Ottawa; Downing, Charles T., Meriden; Duffy, Jos., La Salle; Eades, F. W., Bruce; Ellsworth, U. S., Deer Park; Ferguson, J. O., Troy Grove; Grandsen, Albert, Northville; Gunn, Henry, Eden; Hall, Wm., Bruce; Hall, S. A., Vermilion; Hibbs, Lacey, Grand Rapids; Irwin, A. L., Manlius; Ians, Newton, Mendota; Lauber, J. L., Peru; Lynch, Andrew, Ottawa; Maher, Bart., Eagle; Mayo, Henry, South Ottawa; Mason, Isaac, Otter Creek; Miller, John, Freedom; Miller, Adolph, Bruce; Miller, Wm. H., Allen; O'Loughlin, M., Brookfield; Phillips, James E., Hope; Quam, J. A., Mission; Read, William M., Farm Ridge; Reinhard, G., Richland; Sauer, C. G., Groveland; Spencer, Charles E., Miller; Taylor, W. W., Ottawa; Trowbridge, I. H., Rutland; Truman, William, Mendota; Trumbo, A. L., Fall River; Verner, Fred K., Osgood; Walter, Christ., Ottawa; Wylie, John, Waltham.

Supervisor O'Loughlin moved that the board take an informal ballot for chairman. Motion carried.

The clerk appointed supervisors Verner and Conover to act as tellers. The canvass of the informal ballot resulted as follows: Supervisor Eades received 14 votes, Gunn 17 votes, Mayo 7 votes, McIntyre 2 votes, Truman 1 vote, Miller 2 votes.

Supervisor Anderson moved that the board now proceed to take a formal ballot for the election of chairman for the ensuing year. Motion carried.

The canvass of the first formal ballot resulted as follows: Supervisor Eades received 16 votes, supervisor Gunn 21 votes, supervisor Mayo 6 votes, supervisor Truman 1 vote.

There being no choice on first formal ballot a second formal ballot was taken, which, upon being canvassed, resulted as follows: Supervisor Eades received 22 votes, supervisor Gunn 22 votes.

There being no choice on the second formal ballot a third formal ballot was taken, which, upon being canvassed, resulted as follows: Supervisor Eades received 21 votes, supervisor Gunn 23 votes.

On motion of supervisor Eades, supervisor Gunn was declared unanimously elected to the office of chairman of the county board for the ensuing year.

On motion of supervisor McLaughlin, supervisor Eades was appointed as a committee of one to escort the chairman elect to the chair.

Supervisor Ferguson moved that a committee of three (3) be appointed by the chairman to suggest to the board the manner in which the supervisors shall be classified for the purpose of drawing by lot for one and two year terms, as provided by the laws of 1889. Said committee to report at 9 o'clock to-morrow morning. Motion carried.

The chairman appointed supervisors Ferguson, O'Loughlin and Mayo as such special committee.

Supervisor O'Loughlin moved that a special committee of five (5), consisting of the chairman and four members of the board, be selected to report to the board to-morrow morning rules for its government. Motion carried by the following vote:

Supervisors Anderson, Belrose, Bowen, Burkart, Carr, Conerton, Conover, Donlevy, Dougherty, Duffy, Eades, Ellsworth, Grandsen, Hall (Wm.), Hall (S. A.), Hibbs, Lauber, Lynch, Maher, Mayo, Mason, Miller, Mueller, McIntyre, O'Loughlin, Read, Taylor, Truman, Verner, Walter and Mr. Chairman (31) voted in the affirmative. Supervisors Breining, Davison, Downing, Ferguson, Irwin, Ians, McLaughlin, Phillips, Quam, Spencer, Trowbridge, Trumbo and Wylie (13) voted in the negative.

The chairman appointed supervisors O'Loughlin, Mayo, Anderson and Lynch to act with him as such special committee.

TUESDAY, JULY 15, 1890.

Board met pursuant to adjournment. Present same as yesterday. The record of yesterday's session was read and approved.

The report of the special committee to suggest the manner in which the members of the board should draw lots for the one and two year terms was read and adopted, as follows:

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen of the Board of Supervisors: Your committee appointed to report a plan for drawing lots fixing the respective terms of the members of the board of supervisors under the provisions of the act of the General Assembly approved June 4, 1889, beg leave to report that after a careful examination of the statute requiring the present board to fix by lot the respective terms of the members of this board so that as near as may be one-half of said members shall serve for a period of two years and one-half for a period of one year, submit the following recommendation, viz: first, that as to the thirty-two towns in said county having each one supervisor, there be written thirty-two tickets, one-half of said tickets having written thereon the words "first-class," and one-half of said tickets having written thereon the words "second-class."

That said tickets be separately placed in sealed envelopes and placed in a box or hat and well shaken, and each supervisor then draw from said box or hat, as the case may be, a ticket. That each supervisor drawing a ticket upon which is written the words "first-class" shall serve as such supervisor for one year; and each supervisor drawing a ticket upon which is written the words "second-class" shall serve as such supervisor for two years. Your committee would further report that under the law those towns having more than one supervisor, to wit, La Salle, Bruce, Ottawa, Peru and Mendota, must be separately considered. That tickets to correspond with the number of supervisors representing each of said towns respectively having even number of supervisors should be prepared as above stated and placed in separate boxes. That each supervisor from said towns should draw from the

box prepared for his town a ticket. That each supervisor so drawing who shall draw a ticket upon which is written the words "first-class" shall serve for a period of one year, and each supervisor drawing a ticket upon which is written the words "second-class" shall serve for a period of two years. That as to the towns of La Salle and Bruce, each of which have three supervisors, your committee would recommend that two of the supervisors from each town draw lots for their respective terms as above stated, and that the remaining supervisor from each town draw a ticket from a box containing two tickets, one designated "first-class" and one designated "second-class;" and that the supervisor drawing the ticket on which is written the words "first-class" shall serve one year, and the one drawing the ticket on which is written the words "second-class" shall serve two years.

All of which is respectfully submitted, JOHN FERGUSON, Chairman.

The Board now proceeded to draw lots in accordance with the recommendations of said committee, with the following results:

Name	Term
Anderson, A. N.	Adams, Breining, 2 years
Breining, Gustave	Peru, 2 "
Belrose, C. H.	Dayton, 2 "
Bowen, Henry	Serant, 1 "
Burkart, Jos.	La Salle, 1 "
Conover, John J.	Dimmick, 1 "
Conover, Ira	Utica, 1 "
Davison, L. W.	Earl, 1 "
Donlevy, Frank P.	Wallace, 1 "
Dougherty, P. J.	Ottawa, 2 "
Downing, Charles T.	Meriden, 1 "
Duffy, Jos.	La Salle, 1 "
Eades, F. W.	Bruce, 2 "
Ellsworth, U. S.	Deer Park, 1 "
Ferguson, J. O.	Troy Grove, 1 "
Grandsen, Albert	Northville, 1 "
Gunn, Henry	Eden, 2 "
Hall, Wm.	Bruce, 2 "
Hall, S. A.	Vermilion, 2 "
Hibbs, Lacey	Grand Rapids, 2 "
Irwin, Albert	Manlius, 2 "
Ians, Newton	Mendota, 1 "
Lauber, J. L.	Peru, 1 "
Lynch, Andrew	Ottawa, 1 "
Maher, Bart.	Eagle, 1 "
Mayo, Henry	South Ottawa, 1 "
Mason, Isaac	Otter Creek, 1 "
Miller, John	Freedom, 1 "
Miller, Adolph	Bruce, 1 "
Miller, Wm. H.	Allen, 1 "
O'Loughlin, M.	Brookfield, 2 "
Phillips, James E.	Hope, 1 "
Quam, J. A.	Mission, 1 "
Read, William M.	Farm Ridge, 1 "
Reinhard, G.	Richland, 1 "
Sauer, C. G.	Groveland, 1 "
Spencer, Charles E.	Miller, 2 "
Taylor, W. W.	Ottawa, 2 "
Trowbridge, I. H.	Rutland, 2 "
Truman, William	Mendota, 2 "
Trumbo, A. L.	Fall River, 2 "
Verner, Fred K.	Osgood, 2 "
Walter, Christ.	Ottawa, 2 "
Wylie, John	Waltham, 2 "

On motion of supervisor Ferguson all claims against the county were ordered referred to the appropriate committees without reading.

Supervisor O'Loughlin, chairman of the special committee on rules, submitted the following report:

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen of the Board of Supervisors: Your special committee on rules beg leave to submit the following:

1. The finance committee shall be composed of five members, who shall consider and report on all matters pertaining to the finance of the county.

2. The committee on court-house and jail shall be composed of three members, who shall purchase all necessary supplies for the court-house and jail.

3. The committee on public buildings shall be composed of five members, who shall have charge of all necessary repairs and improvements on the public buildings and grounds.

4. The committee on equalization of lands shall be composed of seven members, who shall equalize the assessment as provided by law.

5. The committee on personal property shall be composed of seven members, who shall equalize the assessment of personal property as provided by law.

6. The committee on lots shall be composed of seven members, who shall equalize the assessment of town lots as provided by law.

7. The committee on abatements shall be composed of three members, who shall investigate all complaints relative to assessments and report with recommendations to the board.

8. The committee on township organization shall be composed of five members, who shall consider all petitions relating to the changing of township boundaries and the establishing of polling districts in the various towns and report their recommendations to the board.

9. The committee on roads and bridges shall be composed of seven members, who shall consider all petitions relating to roads and bridges and report their recommendations to the board.

10. The committee on paupers account shall be composed of five members, who shall carefully examine all duly authenticated bills ordered by the respective supervisors and all bills and claims of the County Agent and report their recommendations to the board.

11. The committee on miscellaneous claims shall be composed of five members, who shall examine all claims not otherwise provided for, and submit them with their recommendations to the board.

12. The committee to settle with the County Treasurer shall be composed of three members.

13. The committee to settle with the Superintendent of Schools and Coroner shall be composed of three members.

14. The committee to settle with the Sheriff shall be composed of three members.

15. The committee to settle with the County Clerk shall be composed of three members.

16. The committee to settle with the Recorder shall be composed of three members.

17. The committee to settle with the Circuit Clerk shall be composed of three members.

18. The committee to settle with the Probate Clerk shall be composed of three members.

19. The committee to settle with the various county officers shall make a thorough investigation of all books, papers and vouchers pertaining to the respective offices and report to the board.

20. The committee on fees and salaries shall be composed of seven members, who shall consider and report to the board what they may deem sufficient salaries for all county officers.

21. The committee on stationery shall be composed of three members, who shall examine all bills presented for stationery furnished the different county officers and report to the board.

22. The committee on coal and gas shall be composed of three members, who shall contract for coal and gas and report same to the board.

23. The committee on mines and mining shall be composed of three members, who shall investigate all

matters presented to them and report to the board.

24. The judiciary committee shall be composed of three members, who shall examine all legal matters presented to them and report to the board.

25. The committee to settle with the state charitable institutions shall be composed of three members, who shall examine all bills presented by such institutions and report to the board.

26. All reports of committees shall be in writing.

27. All resolutions shall be in writing.

28. All petitions shall be read before the open board before reference.

All of which is respectfully submitted, M. O'LOUGHLIN, Chairman.

Supervisor Reed moved to add to said rules the following:

29. No report of any committee shall, when objection is made thereto, be acted upon by the board until its second reading, and no report shall be twice read at the same sitting of the board.

30. These rules, or any of them, may be suspended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

The motion to amend by the addition of the said two rules was carried by the following vote: Supervisors Carr, Downing, Ellsworth, Ferguson, Grandsen, Hall (Wm.), Hall (S. A.), Hibbs, Irwin, Mason, Miller, Mueller, McLaughlin, McIntyre, Phillips, Read, Spencer, Trowbridge, Trumbo, Verner, Wylie (21) voted in the affirmative. Supervisors Anderson, Belrose, Burkart, Conerton, Conover, Davison, Donlevy, Dougherty, Duffy, Eades, Lauber, Lynch, Maher, Mayo, O'Loughlin, Reinhard, Sauer, Truman, Walter and Wylie (20) voted in the negative. Whereupon the rules as amended were adopted.

The chairman announced the following standing committees for the ensuing year.

Finance—Eades, McIntyre, Lynch, Mayo, Bowen.

Court-House and Jail—Grandsen, Walter, Belrose.

Public Buildings—Burkart, Dougherty, Phillips, Carr, Mueller.

Equalization of Lands—McIntyre, Grandsen, Trumbo, Phillips, Hibbs, Davison, Conerton.

Equalization of Lots—Verner, Irwin, Conover, Maher, Sauer, Hall (S. A.) Belrose.

Equalization of Personal Property—Wylie, Lauber, O'Loughlin, Read, Trowbridge, Miller, Ians.

Abatements—Anderson, Donlevy, Hall (S. A.).

Township Organization—Lauber, Bowen, Truman, Maher, Lynch.

Roads and Bridges—Irwin, Duffy, Phillips, Hibbs, Reinhard, Read, Anderson.

Paupers—Read, Anderson, Wylie, McIntyre, Downing.

Miscellaneous Claims—Donlevy, Ferguson, Conover, Truman, Reinhard.

To Settle with County Treasurer—Quam, Breining, Spencer.

To Settle with Supt. of Schools and Coroner—O'Loughlin, Trowbridge, Hall (Wm.).

To Settle with Sheriff—Ferguson, Quam, Dougherty.

To Settle with County Clerk—Spencer, Verner, Ians.

To Settle with Recorder—Breining, Downing, Mason.

To Settle with Circuit Clerk—Ellsworth, Burkart, Davison.

To Settle with Probate Clerk—McLaughlin, Conerton, Mueller.

Fees and Salaries—Ferguson, O'Loughlin, Quam, Spencer, Ellsworth, McLaughlin, Breining.

Coal and Gas—Taylor, Eades, Carr, Hall (Wm.).

Mines and Mining—Duffy, Walter, Hall (Wm.).

Judiciary—Bowen, Taylor, Mayo.

To Settle with State Charitable Institutions—Truman, Miller, Mason.

Stationery—Trumbo, Taylor, Sauer.

Supervisor Lynch submitted the following resolutions, which were read and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Resolved, That the County Attorney is hereby directed to commence suit against all persons whose property is forfeited for non-payment of taxes within thirty days after such forfeiture.

Resolved, That the neglect of the County Attorney to commence suit as directed by the foregoing resolution shall be deemed sufficient cause for his removal.

Resolved, That there shall be but one adjourned meeting of this board, which shall be held on the second Monday in February, A. D. 1891.

Resolved, That the committees to settle with county officers be and they are hereby instructed to employ experts, at an expense not exceeding five dollars per day, to assist in making such thorough examination of the books and accounts of the county officers, whose terms of office expire in December next, as will develop the actual condition of such books and accounts, and to report to this board at its regular meeting in September next.

Supervisor Lynch also submitted the following resolution, which was read and referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

Resolved, That we hereby appoint Elias Trumbo, Martin Flaherty and Basil Green inspectors of toll roads as provided by law.

Supervisors O'Loughlin presented a petition from the commissioners of La Salle for county aid in repairing the bridge over the Illinois river in said town, which was read and referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

Supervisor Burkart presented the resignation of engineer Mark Duffy, and on motion the same was accepted to take effect as soon as his successor is appointed.

On motion of Supervisor McLaughlin the committee on public buildings was directed to report to the Board at 10 o'clock A. M. Thursday the names of all applicants for the position of engineer and their respective recommendations.

On motion of Supervisor McLaughlin the committee on fees and salaries was instructed to report, fixing the salary of engineer, at 9 o'clock Thursday morning.

Supervisor Donlevy offered the following resolution, which was read and referred to the committee on judiciary:

Resolved, That the officer as designated by statutes, shall cause all platform scales now in use or to be used for the weighing of grain or coal to be tested, and report to this board at its next session where, if any, were found incorrect.

On motion of Supervisor Ferguson the Board adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 16, 1890.

Board met pursuant to adjournment. Present same as yesterday.

The record of yesterday's session was corrected and approved.

Supervisor Burkart, chairman committee on public buildings, submitted the following report, which was adopted:

Mr. Chairman, etc.—Your committee on public buildings authorized in last March's session to paint and clean court house beg leave to report that they have examined all claims presented before them, and recommend the payment of the following, and that the clerk be directed to issue orders for the several amounts, to the several claimants, to-wit: For What. Total.

Name	For What	Total
Wm. K. Stewart	carpenter work in court house	\$ 25 20
Chas. S. West	awning, court house	57 80
J. E. Scott & Co.	matting, court house	72 25
Wm. A. Jeffery	carpenter work court house	6 27
G. P. Rugg	glass for court house	15 00
Chas. S. Bowermaster	for painting and furnishing paint and glass for court house as per contract	2,307 50
Olaf Stran	cleaning court house	22 75
Clegg & Dougherty	for furnishing and re-laying steam pipes from jail to court house	129 94
David Krouse	repairing chandelier court house	35
Sanderson Bros.	shelling and plastering in court house	23 00
Wm. H. Gilman	putting up specification for painting	10 00
T. & H. Caldwell	light colored slate, court house	2 25

All of which is respectfully submitted, JOSEPH BURKART, Chairman.

A petition from the commissioners of highways of Ottawa praying for county aid for a bridge in said town was read and referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

A letter from the county clerk of Bureau county notifying La Salle county to remove from said Bureau Co. one Minnie Holland, alleged to be a pauper from La Salle county, was read and referred to the supervisor of Peru for investigation.

On motion of Supervisor Wylie the Board adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, JULY 17, 1890.

Board met pursuant to adjournment. Present same as yesterday.

The record of yesterday's session was read and approved.

The following reports of standing committees were read and adopted.

Mr. Chairman, etc.—Your committee on Equalization of Lots would respectfully report that they have examined the matter of the equalization of said lots of La Salle county, presented before them, and recommended the following additions and deductions.

Assessed Value	Ad. Det.	Value per Lot
Adams, 12,312	61.36	38,924
Allen, 12,312	61.36	38,924
Brown, 6,156	30.68	19,462
Dayton, 9,834	48.54	56,612
Deer Park, 2,883	14.41	2,883
Dimmick, 3,125	15.62	9,702
Eagle, 1,125	5.62	3,375
Eden, 1,125	5.62	3,375
Ellsworth, 1,125	5.62	3,375
Farm Ridge, 2,075	10.37	5,193
Freedom, 2,075	10.37	5,193
Groveland, 3,312	16.56	11,136
Hope, 2,100	10.50	6,300
Lauber, 1,125	5.62	3,375
Manlius, 11,912	59.56	2,19,704
Mendota, 20,825	104.12	2,166,900
Mission, 8,574	42.87	3,654
Northville, 37,828	189.14	7,162,201
Osgood, 1,619	8.09	13,018
Ottawa, 3,420	17.10	58,680
Otter Creek, 39,067	195.34	7,636,138
Peru, 1,125	5.62	3,375
Richland, 3,765	18.82	14,505
Serant, 8,125	40.62	33,250
South Ottawa, 6,001	30.00	18,003
Southville, 44,512	222.56	9,902,672
Trumbo, 44,512	222.56	9,902,672
Vermilion, 2,209	11.04	24,312

All of which is respectfully submitted, F. C. VERNER, Chairman.

Mr. Chairman, etc.—Your committee on Fees and Salaries would respectfully report that they have examined the matter of fixing the salary of the engineer as ordered by this Board, and recommend the following:

That the salary of the county engineer be fixed at one thousand dollars per annum, to include all necessary help or assistance required by said engineer in performing his duties.

Your committee would also recommend that said salary be paid monthly at the end of each month's service, and that the County Clerk be authorized to issue orders for the same.

All of which is respectfully submitted, JOHN FERGUSON, Chairman.

Mr. Chairman, etc.—Your committee to settle with School Superintendent beg leave to report that they have examined the following bills presented by Superintendent Stockdale, and would recommend the payment of the same, and the Clerk be authorized to issue an order therefor.

For postage, express and telegraph charges \$ 28 54
For printing 173 28
For payment of janitor at examination 1 00
For stationery 1 75
For clerk's salary for four months 160 00

Total \$364 57

Your committee would further recommend that Superintendent Stockdale's bill for services rendered from March 15th to July 15th, 1890, which is as follows:

For 52 days spent in school visitation at \$4 per day \$208 00
For 52 days expenses in school visitation at \$1 per day 52 00
For 9 days spent in examination at \$4 per day 36 00
For 41 days spent in office work at \$4 per day 164 00

Total \$460 00

be audited and approved and the Clerk be directed to certify such fact to the State Auditor of public Accounts for payment of the same from the State treasury as provided by law.

All of which is respectfully submitted, M. O'LOUGHLIN, Chairman.

Supervisor Burkart, chairman committee on Public Buildings, submitted the report of said committee on the question of employing an engineer for the court house and jail.

Said report was first adopted and then on motion of Supervisor Lynch its adoption was reconsidered.

Supervisor Ferguson moved that said report be re-committed to the committee on Public Buildings, with instructions to present to the Board at 11 o'clock to-morrow morning the names of three of the applicants for such position, who in the judgment of the committee possessed the best qualifications therefor. Motion lost by the following vote:

Ayes—Anderson, Burkart, Carr, Conover, Downing, Duffy, Eades, Ellsworth, Ferguson, Hall (S. A.), Irwin, Lynch, McLaughlin, O'Loughlin,